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For: NOVEL NEP2 MEMBRANE METALLOPROTEASE

AND ITS USE FOR SCREENING INHIBITORS

**USEFUL IN THERAPY (AS AMENDED)** 

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows.

No extension of time previously obtained. Extension requested:		
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One month	\$ 110 (code 1251)	\$ 55 (code 2251)
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- X If a further petition for extension of time (EOT) is required at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an EOT of as many months as are required to ensure that the application is pending on the date that this petition is filed. Any fee due in connection with this petition is authorized in the preceding paragraph.

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